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TAGS: PINT PGOV VS

SUBJ: PACM SHIFTS TO PEACE AND LEADERSHIP ISSUES

1. ON NOV 17 AT TAN CHI LINH CHURGE, FATHER TRAN HUU THANH ANNOUNCED THAT PACM WOULD NOW RPT NOW SHIFT ITS ATTENTION TO THE SECOND HALF OF ITS SELF-PROCLAIMED MANDATE, I.E., PEACE AND NATIONAL SALVATION. FATHER THANH SEVERELY CRITICIZED PRESIDENT THIEU'S PROSECUTION OF THE WAR AND PROPOSED A NATIONAL LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE OF QPAQW MEN WHICH WOULD SET DOWN POLICIES TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE PRIME MINISTER. HE ALSO PROPOSED THE FORMATION OF AN ADVISORY GUIDANCE COUNCIL TO BE MADE UP OF REPRESENTATIVES OF RELIGIONS AND POLITICAL PARTIES. FATHER THANH ARGUED THAT NEITHER SIDE COULD WIN THE WAR MILITARILY AND THAT THE PARIS AGREEMENT MUST BE IMPLEMENTED. THEREFORE UNITY AMONG THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE NON-COMMUNISTS WAS A NECESSITY. THE NLF WOULD BE ADMITTED INTO THE

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NATIONAL FAMILY BUT WOULD ONLY BE A SMALL MINORITY PARTY.

2. COMMENT: FATHER THANH'S PROPOSALS REPRESENT A QUANTUM
BROADENING OF PACM'S STATED GOALS. HE GAVE, HOWEVER, NO SPECIFICS
AS TO HOW HE EXPECTS TO CREATE THE INSITUTIONS WHICH HE PROPOSES
OR WHAT ROLE HE WOULD EXPECT PACM OR HIMSELF TO PLAY.
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